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PATENT

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Applicant(s)

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Serial No.

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For

MUSCLE-DERIVED CELL MEDIATED GENE TRANSFER

FOR TREATING MUSCLE OR BONE-RELATED INJURY

OR DYSFUNCTION

Group Art Unit

1633

Examiner

Sumesh Kaushal, Ph.D.

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE PTO COMMUNICATION DATED FEBRUARY 27, 2002

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the second restriction requirement dated February 27, 2002, received in the above-identified patent application, following the Examiner's vacating of the first restriction requirement dated May 9, 2001.

Also filed concomitantly herewith are a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4) to extend the response period through July 27, 2002.